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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following list supercedes all prior listings of the claims:

**Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A patch package comprising:

a first sheet consisting of:

a first moisture-permeable material layer comprising a first resin  
and having a moisture permeability of 40-120 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day;

a first screen material layer for blocking penetration of moisture  
and light; and

a first hygroscopic material layer located between the first  
moisture-permeable material layer and the first screen material layer and  
comprising a first resin containing 20-40 wt% of inorganic filler; and

a second sheet consisting of:

a second moisture-permeable material layer comprising a second  
resin and having a moisture permeability of 40-120 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day, the second  
moisture-permeable layer facing to the first moisture-permeable material  
layer;

a second screen material layer for blocking penetration of  
moisture and light; and

a second hygroscopic material layer located between the second  
moisture-permeable material layer and the second screen material layer  
and comprising a second resin containing 20-40 wt% of inorganic filler;

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the first moisture-permeable layer and the second moisture-permeable layer being directly in contact with each other at peripheral areas thereof and fixed to each other at the peripheral areas by heating sealing to form a package shape.

a laminated packaging material with a saturation hygroscopicity of 2-30 g/m<sup>2</sup> under atmosphere conditions with a temperature of 25°C and a relative humidity of 75%; wherein a hygroscopic material layer composed of first resin containing 20-40 wt% of an inorganic filler is situated between a moisture-permeable material layer composed of a second resin and having a moisture permeability of 40-120 g/m<sup>2</sup>/day and a screen material layer which blocks penetration of moisture and light, said packaging material being shaped into a pouch with said moisture-permeable material layer on the inside.

Claim 2 (original): A patch package according to claim 1, wherein said first resin and said second resin are low density polyethylene, and

said screen material layer comprises a metal foil and a high density polyethylene layer.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A patch package according to claim 1 ~~[[2]]~~, wherein the thickness of the hygroscopic material layer is 20-40 μm, the thickness of said moisture-permeable material layer is 5-15 μm, the thickness of said high-density polyethylene layer composing said screen material layer is 10-30 μm and the thickness of said metal foil composing said screen material layer is 5-15 μm.

Claim 4 (currently amended): A patch package according to ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 to 3, wherein said patch package is hermetically sealed by heat sealing of said

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~~laminated packaging material, and~~ the heat seal strength is from 1.0 kg/25 mm to 5.0 kg/25 mm.

Claim 5 (currently amended): A packaged patch ~~characterized in that~~ comprising a patch having a support and a pressure-sensitive adhesive ~~composed mainly of a styrene-isoprene-styrene blocked copolymer laminated on said support is situated in a patch package according to any one of claims 1 to 4 [[3]], and wherein pressure-sensitive adhesive is composed mainly of a styrene-isoprene-styrene blocked copolymer, and wherein~~ the total surface area of the interior of said patch package is 1.2-10 times the effective area of said patch.

Claim 6 canceled.

Claim 7 canceled..

Claim 8 canceled.

Claim 9 canceled.

Claim 10 canceled.

Claim 11 canceled.

Claim 12 canceled.